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In re Application of: **Joshii**

Serial No: **10/800,376**

Group art Unit: **2161**

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Examiner: **Chen, TE Y.**

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

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ELECTION AND TRAVERSE

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of October 30, 2006 Applicants hereby submit  
the following Election with Traverse.

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**A. Election**

In response to the restriction requirement, applicant's hereby elect to prosecute Group I claims 1-8 and 18-19 (data access augmentation processing) are stated in the office action to be readable on this group.

The restriction requirement is respectfully traversed for the reasons set forth in the next section

**B. Traverse**

In response to the restriction requirement, applicant has elected to prosecute Group I, claims 1-8 and 18-19 (data access augmentation processing) which are stated in the office action to be readable on this group.

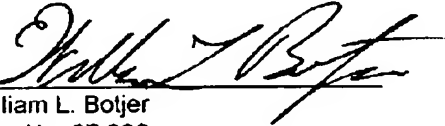
. The restriction requirement is respectfully traversed for the reasons set forth below.

The restriction requirement is respectfully traversed. It is submitted that restriction between differing inventions is unduly burdensome and wasteful of the resources of both the applicants and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office by perhaps requiring separate filings, filing fees, office actions, responses, issue fees etc. for the filing of an additional applications. It is submitted that restriction between groups I, II and III is unwarranted for the following reasons. The inventions of groups I, II and III are classified in the same class, with only the subclass being different, such that a search of the claims is likely to encompass the other sub-classes. Thus the search of the non-elected claims will essentially already been made and to require a possible separate prosecution of the other method claims is unnecessary and wasteful of resources.

Accordingly removal of the restriction requirement between inventions is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions regarding this matter, the Examiner is requested to telephone the applicants' attorney at the numbers listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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